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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Applicants request entry of the following amendments prior to the examination of the above-identified application.

In the Specification

Please replace the phrase "Not Applicable" on page 1, line 5 with the following paragraph:

A1 --This application is a division of US Patent Application Serial no. 09/374,100, filed

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In the Claims

Please cancel claims 9-12, 14 -23, 32 and 34. Please amend Claims 1 and 24 as follows:

1. (AMENDED) A rotational molding composition comprising;
 - A) a majority component of one or more homopolymers or interpolymers;
 - B) one or more impact additives comprising one or more ethylene-vinyl acetate copolymers (EVA);